

Where does our water come from?

In Sedona, the water we use in our homes is groundwater. Groundwater comes from rain, snow, sleet and hail that falls and soaks into the ground. Surface water, such as lakes and rivers can become groundwater. Lakes and rivers are surface water, which can also become groundwater as the water soaks down into the ground. In most cases, groundwater is not contained in underground lakes or rivers, but in aquifers. An aquifer is composed or empty spaces between underground rocks or smaller particles such as sand or stones, which fills up with water. This water is pumped up to the surface by wells, and occasionally flows to the surface naturally through springs.